

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of William Taylor R10404 Agnes Taylor VA
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State of Virginia }
City of Lynchburg } to wit

On this 29th day of April in the year 1853 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within and for the city and State aforesaid, and as such a member of the Court of Hustings for said City which is a court of record, Mrs. Agnes Taylor, aged 81 years a resident of Lynchburg, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the provision made by the law of the United States passed the 3rd day of February 1853.

That she is the widow of William Taylor deceased; who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain [blank space] in the Regiment of Virginia Militia or State line and also a private in the Company commanded by Captain Price in the Regiment of the Continental line in the war of the Revolution.

That her said husband went from Buckingham County Virginia, on or about the 10th day June 1778 and continued in actual service in said war in the Virginia Militia or State line for the term of six months, and was honorably discharged at [blank space] on or about the 10th day of December 1778 the term for which he went (six months) having expired.

That he enlisted under Captain Anderson in Cumberland County Virginia on or about the 12th day of April 1780 for the term of during the war, and continued in actual service in said war under Captain Price until 20th May, 1782, when he was discharged on account of sickness, that he was employed part of this term of service on James River in carrying cannon and other arms, ammunition, provisions &c. up and down the river from Richmond to Columbia [at Point of Fork] and New Canton [in Buckingham County] Virginia for the use of the troops, that at the time of his enlistment it was feared that Lord Cornwallis would invade Virginia, that his certificates of discharge were destroyed by fire in Buckingham County Virginia soon after his last discharge while he was sick not having recovered from the attack of illness which occasioned his discharge;

That these statements were made to her by her said husband during his lifetime that she is old and infirm, and thinks he may have told her many things which she can not now recollect;

She further declares that she was married to the said William Taylor on the 20th day of July 1809 in Amherst County Virginia by one Benjamin Watts, a minister of the Gospel, and that her name before her said marriage was Agnes Royalty.

That her said husband died on the 10th day of June 1843, that she was not married to him prior to the second day of January eighteen hundred but at the time above stated;

She further declares that she is now a widow and that Charles W. Statham of Lynchburg Virginia is hereby appointed her attorney to secure the certificate of pension issued to her.

Witness A. C. Cole

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NOTE: On 29 April 1853 Agnes Taylor submitted an application for bounty land similar to her application for a pension. On 29 April 1853 Creed Taylor and Alfred Taylor certified that William Taylor was reputed to have been a soldier in the Revolutionary War. Agnes Taylor's claim was rejected for inadequate proof of her husband's service.